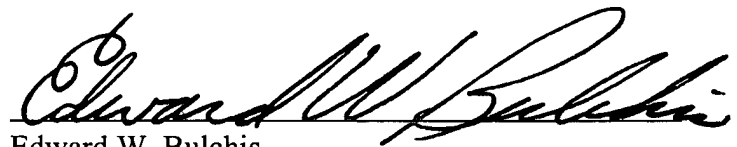


REMARKS

In response to the Office communication dated December 23, 2005, applicants further elect species B1. The claims readable on elected species B1 are claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 29, 33, 36, 38, 40, 41, 42, 44, 45, 49, 53, 56, 58 and 60. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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